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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

The release of USMC LTC William (Rich) Higgins is a foregone conclusion, a the result of direct negotiations by UN Secretary General Perez de Cuellar with Iranian representatives during preliminary talks regarding the 20 August 1988 Cease Fire. By mutual agreement the release of Higgins was to be effected without fanfare, on a close hold basis, and within the aegis of the UN. LTC Higgins is currently located at the Beirut International Airport. See "H" at Enclosure 1. USMC LTC Higgins will proceed as previously reported, via ship to the destinations previously outlined.

Thomas Sutherland is also currently located at the Beirut International Airport. His location is indicated as "S",
ENCLOSURE 2.

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Frank Reed, Rudolf Cordes (German national hostage), and Edward Tracy are with eight other hostages at a location identified as Duhurayn al Hawr. See ENCLOSURE 4. This location was selected to facilitate the evacuation of this group via

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helicopter and to diminish the opportunities for the abductors to be recognized in a congested area such as Beirut; eliminating press access was of prime concern.

Terry Waite, Terry Anderson and Jesse Turner remain located in the Beqaa Valley. See ENCLOSURE 5. They are now being properly fed and cared for in preparation of their anticipated release.

Joseph Cicippio and Alan Steen were "dumped" at "As-Sahah" (ENCLOSURE 6) in accordance with previous perceptions and reporting. They will be found by the Israeli forces. (The issue of their physical survivability could not be accessed and therefore considered critical at best).

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Higgins is a close hold —
 he is part of U.N. peace
 negotiations — between Iran & Iraq

Hodges rounded up put
 in large group

A + W.
 Thorne — together

S

Sutherland so close

Higgins is out

Phill was discovered
 last night —

12
They 2 gentlemen that
Kidnapped - are discovered

Andrew

Cordes, Reid, Tracy -
Close

Sutherland stands alone.

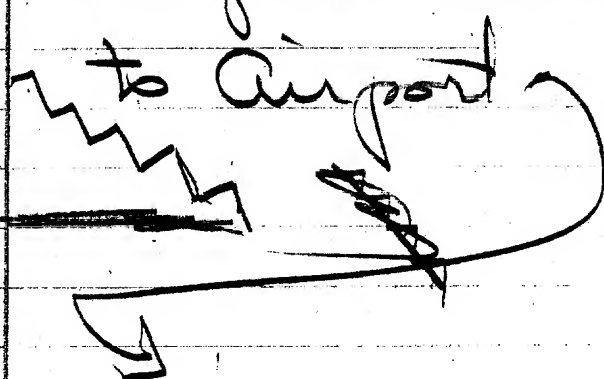
Shutes moving them
to boundary areas.

Another frame of reference
exists -

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Put

Higgins - close hold - in
 Syrian strong hold - close
 to Airport



No

Higgins - East - SE of Fire station

Sutherland - still same place as last
 underground aqueduct

Pohill - means trouble -
 they can't justify taking him
 No excuse -

Pohill trying to move

Pohill in a me...

is in same area

STAT



4

Strutens are the
 creators that will
 bring the chopper.

Phill's existence - depend
 is a must
 is a mess.

Higgins

Big H

Sutherland
 Acquedute

(Phill - 91 south East)

Reid + Cortes, Tracey

Secrets

Col Reid is a secret

is deep cover for ~~the~~

has military background.

to Col.

military trained

⑤

Cates - Reid - Tracy

they are with 8 others

Location here is important
for them to get out

Duhurayn
at HAWR

Choppers can go in

there - captors

don't want faces

seen - or showing
themselves

they will have

news releases

⑥ Motivation
for release

Hiskola receives
word to let go.

They don't care about peace
with Iraq.

Waite Anderson & Turner

are being fed properly.
Bakun in bubble
area

Siippie + Stein -
dumped big time

CS - Sahah

They will be found by
Israelis -

Ask Harry.

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Structures are gaining

The ship's route is
still on - for Higgins

Do not want U.S. involved.
Want to show the "H" is more
ventured than was thought

Thanks, George

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METHODOLOGY: WRV VIEWER IDENTIFIER: 079

1. (S/NF/SK) MISSION: Access and describe the status, location, and projected dates of release of the hostages in Lebanon.
2. (S/NF/SK) VIEWER TASKING: Provide update in accordance with requirements reflected in mission requirements, Para 1, above.
3. (S/NF/SK) COMMENTS: No inclemencies noted. A Summary of Information is attached.
4. (S/NF/SK): EVALUATION:

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